



## Credential Tip Sheet: NCCER Carpentry Level 1

Career Cluster: Architecture & Construction

CIP Code: 46.0000

CIP Program Name: Construction Trades

Credentialing Agency: National Center for Construction Education & Research (NCCER)

Industry-recognized credential: NCCER Carpentry Level 1

### What are the content areas covered by the credential?

The NCCER Carpentry Level 1 credential covers the following content: orientation to the trade; building materials, fasteners, and adhesives; hand and power tools; introduction to construction drawings, specifications, and layout; floor systems; wall systems; ceiling and roof framing; introduction to building envelope systems; and basic stair layout. Teachers can learn more about the NCCER Carpentry Level 1 credential by viewing information on the [NCCER Program Resources webpage](#) and the [Instructor Resource Center](#).



### Credential Qualifications or Pre-requisites

NCCER Core should be completed before taking the NCCER Carpentry Level 1 exam. 145-160 hours of training are required. Level 1 is a pre-requisite for Level 2 and 3.

### Exam Information

NCCER Carpentry Level 1 exam details can be found by viewing this [Level 1 Carpentry Specification Sheet](#). This written assessment is a two-hour, closed-book exam with 82 questions. The assessment results are recorded in the NCCER's Registry and will be mailed to the student upon satisfactory completion of the test and processing by the Master Trainer. Teachers may order modules from Pearson (800-922-0579) or from NCCER's Online Catalog at [www.nccer.org](http://www.nccer.org). Call 1-800-848-9500 to set up an account and obtain an 11-digit Pearson account number to place an order and get the discounted business pricing.

## Who is eligible for the credential?

Student concentrators in state-approved CTE programs who have completed at least two Perkins Course Competencies (PCC) with a 2.0 or better and have completed the qualifications and instruction required by the credentialing body may take the credential exam.

A PCC is a specific set of related CTE competencies based on standards from one CIP code that are grouped together. For Perkins V reporting, standardized courses will be termed "PCCs." (Source: [Perkins V FINAL Definitions: Course, Participant, Concentrator, Completer](#) memo)

Credentials earned may be recorded for students in the Career and Technical Education Information System (CTEIS) through August 31<sup>st</sup> of the student's graduation year. Step-by-step instructions on how to enter credentials in CTEIS can be found here: [Manage Credentials Guide](#).



## Contact Information

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